

The Weather—Snow or rain and cold tonight. Saturday, colder and partly cloudy, snow in mountain districts. High westerly winds.

**Lowered Prices on Women's Coats and Suits.****Prior to Inventory the Reductions Are Timely.**

FAIRMONT women needn't wait until midwinter to own stylish coats and suits at reduced prices. Possession at under prices is possible now at this store. Commence to wear them at once while the styles are greatly in favor, and get the benefit of the very low prices prevailing.

When prices are reduced here, the reductions are genuine—the old price simply has a mark through it and the new one—the reduced price—is written directly underneath it. Were we to raise prices, then reduce, our reputation for fair and square dealing would soon be lost. We never reduce without a reason and the reason for this reduction is A DESIRE TO REDUCE STOCK BEFORE TAKING INVOICE and A FURTHER DESIRE TO GIVE OUR CUSTOMERS THE BENEFITS OF LOW PRICES ON STYLISH AND SEASONABLE COATS AND SKIRTS.

**107 Coats at Reduced Prices 107****35 Coats in Black, Blue, Red and Plum**

Were \$7 to \$10, now selling at

**\$6.40****34 Coats of Covert Mixtures in Tan and Black Kersey,**

Were \$12 to \$15, now selling at

**\$9.40**

sizes 32 to 44

**35 Coats in Black, Plum, Castor and Fancy Mixtures**

Were \$16 to \$22, now selling at

**\$14.40****3 Fur Lined Coats**

Were \$25.00, now selling at

**\$18.40**

Every Coat in the above lot this season's make and style.  
A Few Jackets carried over from last season at Less Than Half Price.

Reductions on Rain Coats 15 to 40 per cent,  
Furs Reduced 10 per cent.

**A Department Store****J. M. HARTLEY & SON****Fairmont, W. Va.****42 Suits at Reduced Prices 42****4 Velvet Suits, Blue, Green, Red and Purple.**

Haven't been in the store over a month.

Were \$22.50, now selling at

**\$14.90****6 Fine Wool Suits, Black, Blue and Gray.**

Were \$25 and \$25 and \$27.50, now selling at

**\$16.90****6 Wool Suits, Black, Green and Blue.**

Were \$18.50 to \$22.50, now selling at

**\$13.90****5 Suits, Black, Green and Blue.**

Were \$32.50 to \$35, now selling at

**\$23.90****10 Wool Suits**

Were \$12 to \$16.50, now selling at

**\$9.90****6 Suits carried from last season at \$6.00 each.**

Were \$14 to \$23—genuine bargains.

**5 Suits carried from last season at \$4.00 each.****OH, YE MASHERS!**

TAKE HEED BEFORE YE FUR-  
THER GO OR THERE WILL  
BE TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The local police are making a crusade against "mashers" and "Carbuncle Johnnies." Several arrests have been made lately, the culprits being let off with a fine. One of them, however, in lieu of the \$15 demanded by Post Judge Muldowney was sent to jail yesterday for 25 days. The fellow has accused Mrs. Beale Knott in front of the New Willard Hotel. She stopped the first policeman she met and had the "masher" arrested. He professed to be a stranger in the city and said he was ignorant of the police regulations but that did not save him. He gave a fictitious name and said he would rather work out his sentence than let his friends know of his disgrace.

**WITHOUT FOOD**

MINER WAS LOST EIGHT DAYS  
AND ALMOST STARVED  
TO DEATH.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 22.—Joseph Davies, a miner, who became lost in the "Coxey" shaft of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at Pittston, on December 20, was found in the mine early this morning, almost starved to death, having been without food for eight days.

When found he was slightly delirious from his experience and could not give an intelligent account of his wanderings, except that he had walked a long way, had nothing to eat and had to drink the sulphur water of the mine. He broke his fast by drinking two quarts of beer and eating a loaf of bread. Searching parties had been in quest for him in the abandoned mine workings since his disappearance without success and at one o'clock this morning he appeared, having finally found his way unaided to the shaft. He is still weak and it is feared his experience has permanently affected his mind.

**RAMSEY WANTS OUT**

May be Called as Witness in Trust  
Cases if Dropped as Defendant.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Joseph Ramsey, Jr., who was named as one of the defendants by the Federal Government in its case against the Terminal Association under the Sherman anti-trust act, is making an effort to have his name dropped from the list of defendants, asserting he is no longer connected with any of the defendant corporations.

Mr. Ramsey is quoted as saying he does not feel that the Government has a good case. If he succeeds in being dropped as defendant he will probably be summoned as a witness.

**Close New Year's Day.**

All of the leading clothing and dry goods houses will be closed all day Monday, January 1st.

**GRAND OPERA HOUSE,  
NEW YEAR'S DAY,  
MATINEE AND NIGHT.**

**The Big Beauty Show  
30 People 30  
MOSTLY GIRLS.**

**THE  
RAJAH of BHONG**

A Musical Comedy in Two Acts  
A Dazzling Dream of Delight

**30 People 30**

PPICES:  
Mainee—75, 50, 35 and 25c.  
Night—\$1.00, 75, 50 and 25c.

Advance sale opens Saturday morning.

There is just one way to do it and that is to

**BUY YOUR GROCERIES AT  
HARTLEY & VINCENT.**

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|--------------------------------|--------|
| 12 bars of laundry soap.....   | 25c    |
| 18 lbs granulated sugar.....   | \$1.00 |
| 19 lbs brown sugar.....        | \$1.00 |
| 3 lbs California prunes.....   | 25c    |
| 2 lbs California peaches.....  | 25c    |
| 2 lbs California apricots..... | 25c    |
| 3 cans of corn.....            | 25c    |
| 3 cans of syrup.....           | 25c    |
| 3 cans of peas.....            | 25c    |
| 3 lbs of best rice.....        | 25c    |
| 6 lbs of soup beans.....       | 25c    |
| 4 lbs of lima beans.....       | 25c    |
| 3 lbs kidney beans.....        | 25c    |
| 6 pounds of white starch.....  | 25c    |
- Try our Sweet Melody flour at 75c per sack.



Half the boys within  
school gates wear  
Mrs. Jane Hopkins  
Boy-Proof Clothes

**C. F. RANDALL & Co.**

**Gift Certificates.**  
CLOTHING AND PANTALOONS.

**WARRANTY:** We hereby guarantee absolutely any and all garments bearing our tickets, labels or trade mark to be perfect in both material and workmanship. Any garment found deficient after reasonable wear will be replaced by us. It is our desire to have every purchaser of garments bearing our name on trade mark, satisfied in every particular, thereby making our goods easily saleable and sought after.

**DON'T FORGET**  
our Xmas display will be very nice—such as Fine Umbrellas, Neckwear for Gentlemen, Fancy Hosiery and numerous other things. Will be only too glad to show them.

Bunlap, Stetson, Goyer, Albert Hats.  
Banister, Raleston, Patriot Shoes.

**C. F. RANDALL & CO.****JUDGE STAFFORD'S ADDRESS**

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of Theodore Roosevelt today. Law is not something technical, something that smells of the lamp and belongs in the closet. Law is nothing stable, nothing desirable unless it is the sifted and garnered common sense of the race. You need never tremble for that kind of law. It is a law that can stand on its own bottom. A code that can be understood and appreciated only by a class or a profession may fail, but a law that makes its appeal to the good sense and honest instincts of men at large can never fail. For a sound legal judgment is moral as well as mental. It is not enough to see things as they are. The great lawyer sees how they ought to be. His love of justice is as strong as his perception of truth is keen. It has been said, "Love is our highest word and the synonym of God." But if that be so, then the next highest word is justice—"for justice all things a temple and all season summer!" What other excuse can government give for its existence than this—"to establish justice?" So it is that a good lawyer must have the qualities that go to the making of a good judge. He cannot conduct his case wisely nor advise his client safely unless he can foresee with reasonable accuracy how the court will be obliged to treat his when it comes before it. The best counsel is he who best anticipates the court's decision. You cannot make a good judge out of intellect alone. He must have a heart that can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities. His blood must be red. Let him be pure and righteous as he may, but through his heart must throb the quiet, warm currents of humanity. And above all he must love justice. He must long to see the right prevail. So must the lawyer—"the lawyer," I mean. He must be great enough to exult in his own defeat when he finds that he ought to be defeated. Lawyers do not like to be beaten; judges do not like to be reversed. But a judge who will not rejoice to see his own wrong judgments set aside—he may be great in learning and high in place, but the least in the kingdom of justice is greater than he.

**Henius Has Not Resigned.**  
Arthur Henius, brewmaster at the Fairmont Brewing Company, denied the statement made in the West Virginian Tuesday to the effect that he had resigned his position. This correction certainly is made gladly as Mr. Henius' departure would be a distinct loss to Fairmont. His many friends and acquaintances are delighted to know that he will remain.

**MRS. W. H. NICHOLSON,**  
Was Operated on This Morning For Appendicitis at Cook's Hospital.

The many friends of Mrs. W. H. Nicholson, formerly of this city, now of Parkersburg, will be sorry to learn that she was operated on for appendicitis at Cook Hospital this morning. Mrs. Nicholson has been in the city for a few days on a visit to her mother, Mrs. [redacted] on Walnut avenue. She was taken to the hospital and this morning underwent operation as stated above. She stood the operation very well and this afternoon is resting as well as possible under the circumstances.

Miss Maude Davis, stenographer to Secretary of State Swisher, is spending the holidays at her home near Pine Grove.

"San Toy" has 24 musical numbers.

**Weaver's Way.**

Weaver's way is to do the best for his customers, and to give the best possible facilities for speculating successfully.

He carries them on 5 per cent margins and at low interest rates.

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**WATSON HOTEL BUILDING**  
Fairmont, W. Va.

**BARGAINS  
IN  
MILLINERY.**  
**SPECIAL PRICES  
IN  
PATTERN HATS.**

**THE ELITE MILLINERY PARLOR,**  
Corner Guffy and Merchant  
Street, First Ward.

**Dancing Academy.**  
Prof. Turner will give anyone commencing in the next ten days a complete course of dancing for \$5.00 and soliciting of one new scholar. Free Press Hall, Fairmont.

**ANDERSON'S BON TON.**

All Hats at 1-2 Price.

Ladies' Sweaters 1-2 Price.

Pictures, etc., 1-2 Price.

Children's Coats 1-2 Price.

Vases, Furs and Dolls  
Reduced 1-3.

**Come in and We  
Can Give You a  
lot of Nice,  
New Goods  
Very Cheap.**

**JAMES A. DEEGAN**

is in the City But Will Leave For Fort  
Myer To-Night.

James A. Deegan, who recently enlisted in the regular army, arrived in Fairmont last night and is spending the day with relatives and friends before leaving for Fort Myer, Va., where he will be stationed. Owing to excellent discharge papers received from his former enlistment, Mr. Deegan had the privilege of choosing his company for the present enlistment and selected the Thirteenth Cavalry, which is stationed at Fort Myer. Messrs. Wilson and Bailey, who enlisted with Mr. Deegan, are still at Columbus barracks, but will likely be detailed to some troop shortly.

Mr. Deegan leaves to-night on train four for Washington, D. C., and then on to Fort Myer.

Try a West Virginian want ad.

**PLENTY OF  
CUT FLOWERS  
FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY.  
HALL'S FLOWER STORE.**

**Shurtleff & Welton's  
Shoes Satisfy.**

**JOHN FEORENE,****Market St. Meat Market.**

Home Killed Meats of All Kinds Fresh  
Every Day.

Beef, veal, lamb and pork, sausage,  
hamburg, dried beef and liver, fur-  
nished or delivered at lowest price.

**Call and be convinced.**

**TRANSFER and all kinds of HAULING.**

I move anything from a baby carriage to street car and do it quickly, also make a specialty of moving Household Goods and Pianos without damage. When you need Coal, call me up. I deliver Coal and Sand to all parts of the city in short order. When you have Hauling to do, or desire anything placed in storage, see Thomas, he's the man.

Bell Phone—Office 2, Res. 340.  
Con.—Office 100, Res. 70.

**W. S. THOMAS,** Parks Avenue, Next to Tavern.

**A. C. LYONS,  
ARCHITECT**  
Main Office—C. M. Jacobs Building—4th Floor,  
FAIRMONT, W. VA.  
Branch Office—Elkins, W. Va.



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